press, 1094 Mahanagari Express, 1028 Dadar Express and 135 Bareilly Fast passenger trains, which can be availed of by the passengers originating from Jaunpur City. Himgiri and Shramjeevi Express trains are highly-patronised long-distance trains and it is not feasible to allot any quota at Jaunpur City by these trains at present.

(b) Difficulties of shunting at Varanasi consequent to extension of Kashi Express to/from Gorakhpur.

Cancellation of trains

1122. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of trains have been cancelled in the North Eastern Region of the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether it is fact that half of the North East is yet to be connected by rail links;

(d) if so, the reasons for cancellations of trains; and

(e) by when Government propose to link the entire North-East by rail link and to restore the cancelled trains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a), (b) and (d) 8 pairs of trains have been cancelled on Northeast Frontier Railway to conserve diesel Locomotives for the peak season traffic or due to difficult law and order situation in the region.

(c) All North East states except Meghalaya have rail heads.

(e) The line from Dudhoni to Depa providing connection to Meghalaya has been included in the Budget for 1992-93.

Some of the cancelled trains will be restored during April, 1992 and the rest on getting security clearance from the Government of Assam.

Central clearance for projects and schemes from Tamil Nadu

1123. SHRI R. T. GOPALAN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) the projects and schemes submitted by the Tamil Nadu Government pending for clearance with Central Government;

(b) the date since when these are pending and the steps Government have taken in each case; and

(c) if no action has been taken so far, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) A statement is attached.

Statements

List of Projects / Schemes received from Tamil Nadu pending clearance

Sl. No	Details of the Scheme/Projects	Since when Pending	Present Position
1	2	3	4
	NATIONAL—HIGHWAYS DEVELOPMENT WORKS		
1.	NH-49—Strengthening the weak two lane pavement at Km 21/0—26/0.		
2.	Strengthening the existing two lane pavement in Km. 207/570—217/0 on NH-7.	Feb., 1992	Under scrutiny.
3.	Strengthening the existing two lane in Km. 2266/00 to 268/00 on NH-45.		
4.	NH-45 R.O.B. & approaches at Km. 165/4 at Kandampakkam.		